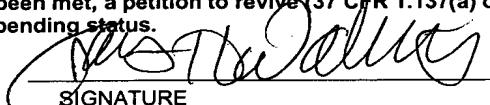


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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PCT/JP2004/000352</b>	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE <b>01/19/04</b>	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED <b>1/20/2003</b>	
TITLE OF INVENTION <b>SEALED TYPE NICKEL-METAL HYDRIDE BATTERY, AND ITS PREPARATION PROCESS</b>			
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US <b>Kazuya OKABE et al</b>			
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